



PROCLAMATION

Whereas: Air quality and climate change are critical issues facing Boston and the region, and transportation-related air pollution has a profound impact on public health and the environment; and

Whereas: The City of Boston has amended its Vehicle Procurement Policy to encourage the replacement of vehicles in the city fleet with alternative fuel and hybrid-electric models or vehicles with a higher fuel economy; and

Whereas: The City of Boston has procured 250,000 gallons of a cleaner blend of biodiesel (B5) and ultra low sulfur diesel (ULSD) fuel, which is reducing emissions within its diesel engine fleet by 15%; and

Whereas: The City of Boston has initiated an Anti-Idling Campaign, which calls upon city employees not to idle vehicle engines unnecessarily; and

Whereas: The City of Boston has received funding from EPA to retrofit 750 school buses serving Boston with particulate traps and filters reducing emissions by up to 90%; and

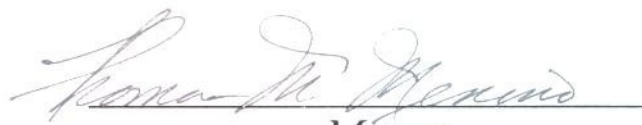
Whereas: AltWheels, a sustainable transportation festival, is coming to Boston City Hall Plaza September 22 and 23, 2006; and

Whereas: It is appropriate that citizens recognize and commend the many public and private efforts being made to increase the sustainability of transportation in Boston and the region; NOW

Therefore, I, Thomas M. Menino, Mayor of the City of Boston, do hereby proclaim September 18 through September 24, 2006 to be

Sustainable Transportation Week

In the City of Boston.


Mayor

